

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 34

1 August 1949

DOCUMENT NO. _____
NO CHANGE IN CLASS. ☒
☐ DECLASSIFIED
CLASS. CHANGED TO: TS S O
EXPIRY DATE: 1990
AUTH: HR 71-2
25 NOV 1980 REVIEWER: 013645

1. The following were present:

Dr. Appleton	State
Lt. Col. Ruwet	Army
Lt. Col. Conner	Army
Capt. Maher	Navy
Lt. Col. DeHority	Navy
Cdr. Howell	Navy
Lt. Cdr. Nutt	Navy
Lt. Col. Gould	Air Force
Lt. Col. Wade	Air Force
25X1A9a [REDACTED]	CIA (Chairman)
	CIA

2. The following changes in the FY 1950 Production Schedule were approved:

a. Schedule Chapter IV (less Section 45) of NIS21 for February 1950 instead of December 1949.

b. Schedule Chapter V of NIS21 for December 1949 instead of February 1950.

25X1X7 3. It was pointed out that the decision not to transmit COMMENTS ON PRINCIPAL SOURCES [REDACTED] has posed a practical problem. In NIS already published COMMENTS have been so printed that they cannot be withdrawn without emasculating the section to which they pertain. In those sections already printed or in the process of being printed, appropriate pages will be reprinted so as to blank out the COMMENTS. Henceforth, the COMMENTS will always be printed so that they may be readily withdrawn.

25X1X7 Likewise, appropriate pages of Chapter IX, NIS24 will be reprinted so as to blank out material which the Navy desires to withhold [REDACTED] 25X1X7
25X1X7 In future, contributors are, at the time of submitting material to G/Ba, to send accompanying statements indicating portions which are to be withheld [REDACTED]

State and Air Force are to submit to G/Ba formal statements relative to transmittal of COMMENTS ON PRINCIPAL SOURCES [REDACTED] 25X1X7
Army and Navy have already submitted such statements.

4. It was pointed out that the present system of reporting NIS

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

production (percentage completion of each unit) is unrealistic and misleading both to the producing agencies and CIA. It appears better to adopt a system of reporting the completion of successive production phases (e.g., first draft complete, in course of substantive review, etc.). The members are to discuss this matter with [REDACTED] and come to the next 25X1A9a meeting prepared to present their recommendations.

5. Mention was made of CIA Administrative Instructions 50-16, 27 June 1949, which prescribe for use in CIA certain systems of transliterating foreign names. It was stated that, although these Instructions are binding only on CIA, it would be advantageous to have all Agencies use the same transliteration systems. Members requested copies of the Instructions in the following numbers:

State	20
Army	26
Navy	25
Air Force	15

6. Chapter II of NIS26 (USSR) was discussed. This chapter consists of five (5) Parts, of which Parts I (European Russia, including island possessions) and V (The Caucasus) are not currently being produced. JANIS 40 (European USSR, including the Baltic States) and 41 (The Caucasus) are substituting for them for the time being. It was decided that Section 11 (Military Geography) of Chapter I should cover the NIS Area as a whole and should summarize material contained in JANIS 40 and 41 as well as that contained in Parts II, III, and IV.

7. It was pointed out that several inconsistencies have been noted between introductory sections and other sections of chapters and between sections (other than introductory) of chapters. These inconsistencies have been due, in the first instance, to preparation of introductory sections before other sections of chapters were complete and, in the second instance, to faulty coordination by chapter coordinators. While G/Ba will always be on the alert for inconsistencies, it is the responsibility of the producing agencies to exercise the utmost care to eliminate them by proper coordination. This principle will also apply to the elimination of inconsistencies between sections of Chapter I and the chapters upon which they are based. A particularly difficult aspect of coordination results from changes made to agency contributions following CIA editorial review. Contributing agencies should ensure that such changes are passed along to coordinating staffs concerned so that related sections may reflect these changes.

8. It was stressed that Chapter I, NIS-Turkey (Tentative), which has been issued, is a prototype only and not a definitive document. Agencies should subject it to further study and should submit their comments to the

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Chapter I Subcommittee for consideration. The latter should report its findings to the NIS Committee. Request has been made on the Joint Staff for similar commentary.

9. The revision of Standard Instructions for National Intelligence Surveys was discussed. It was the consensus that each Agency should begin now to examine the Instructions for revision mainly in terms of its own prime interests but bearing in mind that the interests of others must be served also and that, when this preliminary phase has been completed, a report should be made at a future meeting of the Committee with a view to the establishment of joint subcommittees to formulate formal recommendations for revision. G/Ba is now drafting up a revision of Editorial Instructions and will pass copies thereof to the members for study and comment. G/Ba will also undertake to suggest revision of General Instructions but the IAC Agencies should also consider revision of these Instructions as well as other parts of the General Instructions besides chapter outlines and outline guides.

10. It was reported that CIA management officials have suggested, in the interest of economy, that plans pouches be used for NIS maps instead of binding them into the volumes. The consensus was that this change would so detract from the usefulness of NIS that it should not be adopted, even in the interest of economy.

11. It has been the practice of CIA to overprint NIS base maps with no intelligence data on them and also NIS special maps with intelligence data but no NIS notations on them. Members were requested to be prepared at the next meeting to discuss the distribution of these maps, taking into account the following considerations:

- a. Agency general requirements for NIS base maps without intelligence data and release of these maps (without NIS notations) to other Agencies.
- b. Release to authorized agencies of NIS maps prepared by contributors.
- c. Requirements of contributors for these maps.
- d. Classification to be given maps with NIS data removed.

It is understood that no distribution of the maps in question will be made outside the IAC Agencies until such time as enough NIS have been published that connection between the order of their appearance and the SCS priority list cannot be established.

25X1X7

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

25X1X7

13. A report has been received that the road net on Okinawa has been so changed that existing map coverage gives an entirely false picture thereof. The members from the Armed Forces Agencies were requested to investigate this situation and take action with a view to incorporating reasonably reliable road intelligence in the forthcoming NIS S45 (Okinawa).

14. The following report of NIS production for July was made:

Agency	Sec. Overdue fr. Prev. Mos.	Sec. on Prod Sched. July	Total Reqs. July	Sec. Prod. July	Defections
State	57	33	90	5	85
Army	31	23	54	17	37
Navy	2	1	3	0	3
Air Force	3	2	5	3	2
CIA (B/Ma)	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>93</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>152</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>127</u>

Navy (ahead of Schedule) - - - - - 1
Total - - - - - 26

15. The next meeting was set for 1000 hours Tuesday, 9 August 1949, in Room 4E609, the Pentagon.

25X1A9a

Colonel, U.S.A.

Distribution:

NIS Comm.

Members (4)

AD/ORE

B/Ma

Deputy, G/Ba

Liaison O, G/Ba

Ed-in-Chief, G/Ba

Prod. Chief, G/Ba

G/Ba file ✓

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~